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Midwest Region

Missouri Offices and Activities

Missouri





Service Facilities in Missouri

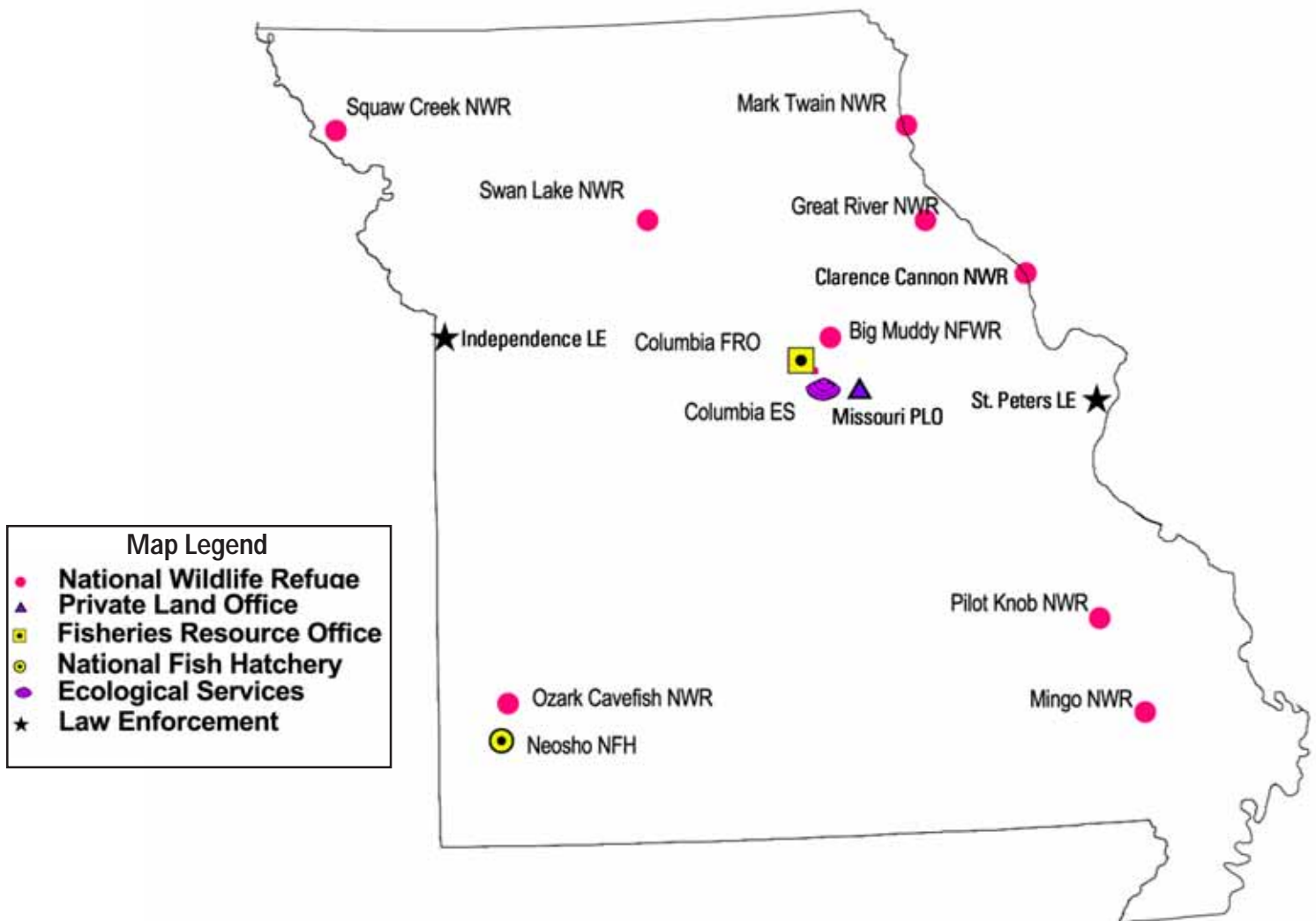


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Quick Facts

- 545 national wildlife refuges
- 95 million acres of fish and wildlife habitat
- 81 ecological services field stations
- 69 national fish hatcheries
- 63 fish and wildlife management offices
- 7,500 employees

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Introduction

U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is the principal federal agency responsible for conserving, protecting, and enhancing fish, wildlife, and plants and their habitats for the continuing benefit of the American people.

The vast majority of fish and wildlife habitat is on lands not owned by the federal government. Partnerships with Native American tribes, state and local governments, non-government organizations and private citizens are critical to the Service fulfilling our mission. Programs such as Partners for Fish and Wildlife, Partners in Flight, the Coastal Program, and partnership activities with individuals are the primary mechanisms for assisting in voluntary habitat restoration on non-Service lands and fostering conservation practices throughout the Region.

The Service manages the 95 million-acre National Wildlife Refuge System that consists of 545 National Wildlife Refuges and thousands of small wetlands and other special management areas. The Service also carries out its mission through the 81 ecological services field stations, 69 national fish hatcheries, and 63 fish and wildlife management offices located nationwide.

The agency enforces federal wildlife laws, manages migratory bird populations, restores nationally significant fisheries, conserves and



restores fish and wildlife habitat such as wetlands, administers the Endangered Species Act, and helps foreign governments with their conservation efforts. The Service also administers a number of grant programs that promote the restoration of fish and wildlife resources and their habitat on tribal and private lands.

The Service also oversees the Federal Assistance program that distributes federal excise taxes on fishing and hunting equipment to state natural resource agencies. This program is a cornerstone of the nation's wildlife management efforts, funding fish and wildlife restoration, boating access, hunter education, shooting ranges and related projects across America.

Approximately 7,500 people are employed by the Service at facilities across the United States. It is a decentralized organization with a headquarters office in Washington, D.C., seven geographic regional offices, and nearly 700 field units.



Quick Facts

- Employment: 1,110 people
- Acres Managed: 1.29 million
- The Fiscal Year 2004 Budget for Regional Service activities totaled \$80 million
- More than 7.7 million people visited Refuges throughout Region 3 to hunt, fish, participate in interpretive programs, and view wildlife
- More than 150,000 school children participated in Service educational programs
- 119,553 acres of wetlands restored
- 216 miles of streams restored
- 82,454 acres of upland habitat restored

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Midwest Regional Highlights

Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Ohio and Wisconsin

The Region is Committed to

- Expanded partnerships offering innovative opportunities to enhance the Region's fish and wildlife resources
- Healthy fish and wildlife trust species populations and habitats to support them
- Providing the public with quality hunting, fishing, wildlife watching, and other wildlife-dependent recreational opportunities on Service lands
- An organization dedicated to employee excellence, reflecting the nation's rich diversity, and providing quality service to and decision-making for the resources for which we have trust responsibility (migratory birds, threatened and endangered species, interjurisdictional fish).

Regional Programs and Offices

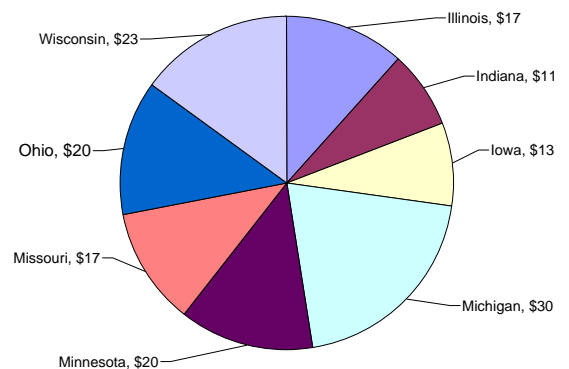
- 56 National Wildlife Refuges, including the newest – Glacial Ridge in northwest Minnesota
- 12 Wetland Management Districts
- More than 300,000 acres in waterfowl production areas
- 6 National Fish Hatcheries
- 6 Fishery Resources Offices
- 2 Sea Lamprey Control Stations
- 8 Private Lands Offices
- 9 Ecological Services offices
- 18 Law Enforcement offices



Federal Assistance Program

In Fiscal Year 2004, the Region's Federal Assistance Office managed \$151 million to help strengthen sport fish and wildlife restoration programs throughout the eight-state region.

**Fiscal Year 2004 Federal Assistance Program Grants by State
(In Millions)**





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Midwest Regional Offices

*Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota,
Missouri, Ohio and Wisconsin*





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Missouri

Fish and Wildlife Service Highlights

Quick Facts

2004 Missouri State Facts

- Employment: The Service employs more than 60 people in Missouri
- The Fiscal Year 2004 Resource Management budget for Service activities in Missouri totaled \$6.2 million
- Ten National Wildlife Refuges in Missouri total more than 70,000 acres
- In 2004, more than 239,000 people visited national wildlife refuges in Missouri to hunt, fish, participate in interpretive programs and view wildlife

Federal Assistance to State Fish and Wildlife Programs

- In 2004 Missouri received:
 - \$8.4 million for sport fish restoration
 - \$6.4 million for wildlife restoration and hunter education

Missouri River Endangered Species

The Columbia Field Office helped develop a biological opinion on the impacts of Missouri River dams and navigation operations on endangered and threatened species. The Service provided the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers with an assessment of threats to endangered species — including the pallid sturgeon and least tern — and provided recommendations to minimize impacts as river operations continue.

Conserving Mississippi River Wetlands

The Columbia Field Office continues to provide input to the Corps of Engineers on the impacts of a proposed flood control project along the Mississippi River that would jeopardize the state's last remaining wetland connected to the river. The Service has provided information on expected impacts of the project and alternative ways to accomplish project purposes while conserving irreplaceable wetland habitat for fish and wildlife.



Bagnell Dam

The Columbia Field Office is participating in a review of the Osage Hydroelectric Relicensing Project, specifically Bagnell Dam, which created Lake of the Ozarks. The office participates in stakeholder meetings and works closely with the Missouri Department of Conservation and others to address the loss of endangered freshwater mussels below the dam.

Keeping Communication Open

The Columbia Missouri Field Office reviews 300 to 500 cellular communication tower projects each year. The Columbia Office has come up with a streamlined process to review projects so that delays are avoided while impacts to migratory birds are considered. The streamlined process has provided an effective outreach and education tool that is paying off in a noticeable reduction in the number of cell towers posing threats to migratory birds. Feedback indicates communications companies are building more migratory bird friendly cell towers in Missouri as a direct result of Columbia's streamlined review and concurrence process.



Quick Facts

Refuge Facts

- Established: 1994
- Acres: 10,400
- Authorized to expand to 60,000 acres in 25 to 30 units in the Missouri River flood plain from Kansas City to St. Louis
- Many landowners were interested in selling their Missouri River bottomland following the floods of 1993
- The Service was originally authorized to acquire these lands from willing sellers with funding from Emergency Supplemental Appropriations
- The Service continues to acquire land from willing sellers with Land and Water Conservation Funds

Financial Impact of Refuge

- Six person staff, will expand to ten
- 5,000 visitors annually
- FY 2004 Budget: \$1.8 million

Refuge Location

The refuge is located in eight units along the Missouri River, headquarters is located in Columbia, Missouri

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Big Muddy

National Fish and Wildlife Refuge

Natural History

- The pre-settlement Missouri River was subject to large seasonal variations in flows which coursed through a 1,500-foot to one-mile-wide braided channel, providing diverse riverine and flood plain habitat
- Because of extensive human development of the flood plain, most of that diversity is gone
- The refuge is part of a major migration corridor for waterfowl and other migratory birds
- Habitat consists of bottomland forests, lakes, sloughs and cropland
- The lower Missouri River provides habitat for seven threatened and endangered species

Refuge Objectives

- Restore portions of the Missouri River flood plain
- Improve and restore wetland habitat
- Improve fishery and wildlife resources
- Provide public opportunities for outdoor recreation and environmental education

Management Tools

- Wetland rehabilitation
- Reforestation
- Water management
- Archaeological resource protection
- Outreach and environmental education

Public Use Opportunities

- Hunting and fishing



- Environmental education and interpretation
- Wildlife observation and photography
- Hiking

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Great River and Clarence Cannon *National Wildlife Refuges*

Quick Facts

Refuge Facts

- Established: 1958 and 1964 (respectively)
- Acres: 15,000
- Great River NWR was formerly known as the Annada District of the Mark Twain NWR and was made a separate refuge in 2000
- The 3,750-acre Clarence Cannon NWR (MO) also serves as headquarters for the Great River NWR
- Great River NWR is separated into three divisions: Fox Island (MO), Long Island and Delair (IL)

Financial Impact of Refuge

- Five person staff
- 25,000 visitors annually
- FY 2004 Budget: \$636,636

Refuge Location

The refuge headquarters is located one mile east of Annada, Missouri, via Highway 79 to County Road 206

Natural History

- The Mississippi River, including refuge lands, is one of the most important migration corridors on the continent for waterfowl and many other birds
- The Long Island Division lands were originally purchased by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers as part of the river navigation project; wildlife management of the land was transferred to the Service

Refuge Objectives

- Protect and enhance habitat for endangered and threatened species
- Provide optimum habitat for migratory birds and resident wildlife
- Protect and enhance habitat for wood duck and neotropical songbird production
- Provide recreational and public use opportunities

Management Tools

- Cooperative farming
- Prescribed burning
- Wetland restoration
- Water management
- Moist soil management
- Reforestation

Public Use Opportunities

- Hiking
- Hunting and fishing
- Environmental education
- Wildlife observation and photography



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Mingo *National Wildlife Refuge*

Quick Facts

Refuge Facts

- Established: 1944
- First land was acquired in 1945
- Acres: 21,676 (7,730-acre wilderness area)
- The Mingo Job Corps Civilian Conservation Center is located on the southeast corner of the refuge
- Also administers Pilot Knob NWR and Ozark Cavefish NWR

Financial Impact of Refuge

- Nine person staff
- More than 70,000 visitors annually
- FY 2004 Budget: \$1.2 million

Refuge Location

The refuge is located two miles north of Puxico, Missouri, on State Highway 51

Natural History

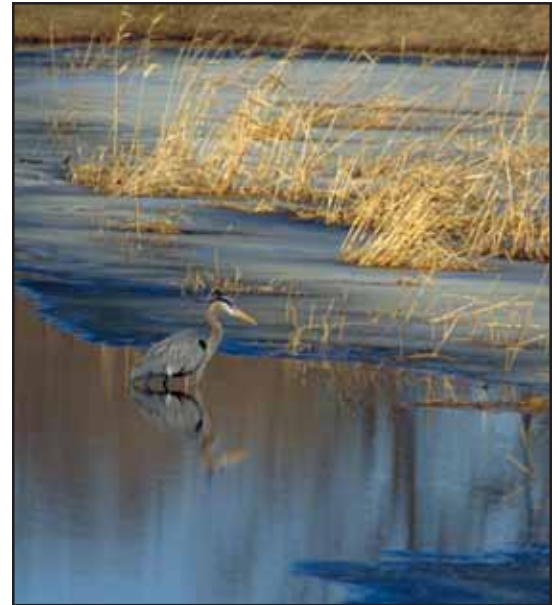
- Refuge lies in a basin formed in an ancient abandoned channel of the Mississippi River, bordered on the west by the foothills of the Ozark uplift, and on the east by a terrace called Crowley's Ridge
- The only remaining large tract of bottomland forest (15,000 acres) of the original 2.5 million acres native to the boothill of Missouri is on the refuge
- Refuge contains seven natural areas and 99 archaeological sites
- 6,190-acre State Duck Creek WMA joins the refuge on the north and east boundary
- Refuge provides wintering habitat for over 150,000 ducks and 75,000 geese

Refuge Objectives

- Provide resting, nesting and feeding habitat for waterfowl and other migratory birds
- Provide habitat for resident wildlife
- Protect endangered and threatened species
- Provide for biodiversity
- Provide public opportunities for outdoor recreation and environmental education

Management Tools

- Wetland restoration
- Prescribed burning
- Water management
- Archaeological resource protection
- Outreach and environmental



education

- Timber management
- Crop and grassland management

Public Use Opportunities

- Hunting and fishing
- Environmental education
- Wildlife observation
- Hiking
- Visitor center
- 25-mile auto tour route

Contacting the Refuge

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Squaw Creek *National Wildlife Refuges*

Quick Facts

Refuge Facts

- Established: 1935
- Acres: 7,350
- Refuge is filling in due to siltation
- Large wintering area for bald eagles and snow geese

Financial Impact of Refuge

- Seven person staff
- 121,000 visitors annually
- FY 2004 Budget: \$1.0 million

Refuge Location

The refuge is located 35 miles northwest of St. Joseph, Missouri, on Interstate 29, then three miles west on Highway 159

Natural History

- Refuge lies in the Missouri River floodplain
- Refuge protects a majority of an historic wetland basin, once a large marsh with meandering creeks that were straightened for agricultural drainage
- Refuge includes a portion of the loess hills, an unusual geologic formation caused by wind deposited soil, which hold some of the last remnants of native prairie
- Refuge hosts 301 bird species, 33 mammal species, and 35 reptile and amphibian species

Refuge Objectives

- Provide resting, nesting and feeding habitat for waterfowl and other migratory birds
- Provide habitat for resident wildlife
- Protect endangered and threatened species
- Provide for biodiversity
- Provide public opportunities for outdoor recreation and environmental education

Management Tools

- Wetland restoration
- Cooperative farming
- Water management
- Outreach and environmental education
- Grassland management



Public Use Opportunities

- Wildlife observation
- Environmental education
- Auto tour route
- Hiking
- Picnicking
- Hunting
- Mushroom picking

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Swan Lake

National Wildlife Refuge

Quick Facts

Refuge Facts

- Established: 1937
- Acres: 10,795
- Designated as a regional site under the Western Hemisphere Shorebird Reserve Network
- Large wintering area for the eastern prairie population of Canada geese and Mississippi flyway duck populations
- Peak fall migration of ducks exceeds 100,000 birds
- Over 100 wintering bald eagles on refuge

Financial Impact of Refuge

- Six person staff
- 17,000 visitors annually
- FY 2004 Budget: \$708,816

Refuge Location

The refuge is located 30 miles southeast of Chillicothe, Missouri, on County Road RA

Natural History

- The majority of the current refuge land was once cleared and converted to farmland
- The refuge has turned this low-lying farmland into productive wetlands for migratory birds
- Refuge lies entirely within the floodplain of the Grand River near its confluence with the Missouri River
- The Yellow Creek Research Natural Area is one of the few remaining old growth bottomland hardwood habitats in the state

Refuge Objectives

- Provide resting, nesting and feeding habitat for waterfowl and other migratory birds
- Provide habitat for resident wildlife
- Protect endangered and threatened species
- Provide for biodiversity
- Provide public opportunities for outdoor recreation and environmental education

Management Tools

- Wetland restoration
- Cooperative farming
- Water management
- Outreach and environmental education
- Grassland management
- Moist soil management



Public Use Opportunities

- Hunting and fishing
- Environmental education
- Wildlife observation
- Hiking

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Missouri

Private Lands Office

Quick Facts

Wetland Restorations (1987-2004)

- 307 sites
- 10,044 acres

Upland Restorations (1987 - 2004)

- 106 sites
- 9,290 acres

Stream Restorations (1987 - 2004)

- 25 sites
- 18 miles

Overview of the Program

- Working with others to restore and enhance fish and wildlife habitat on private lands
- Restoring habitat for migratory birds, threatened and endangered species, interjurisdictional fish and other wildlife
- Restoring habitat within the watersheds of our national wildlife refuges
- Voluntary participation

Opportunities on Private Lands

- Wetland restoration
- Native prairie restoration
- Stream restoration
- Migratory bird habitat
- Endangered species habitat
- Invasive species control

Partner Involvement

- Private landowners
- Nonprofit organizations
- Corporations
- Local, state and federal agencies
- Tribal governments



Program Benefits

- Increased wildlife abundance
- Enhanced wildlife diversity
- Improved soil, water and air quality
- Increased recreational opportunities
- Broad coalition of partnerships supporting **voluntary** habitat restoration on private lands

Contacting the Program

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Quick Facts

Missouri is home to 33 federally listed endangered, threatened, or candidate species, including the gray bat, Ozark hellbender, Ozark cavefish, scaleshell mussel, and pondberry. For more information about these and other rare and declining Missouri species, please see our website at <http://midwest.fws.gov/endangered>

Highlight

The Columbia Missouri Field Office achieves conservation from the Ozarks to the Missouri and Mississippi Rivers and other parts of Missouri through partnerships and collaboration. Efforts include the St. Louis Urban Migratory Bird Treaty to enhance migratory birds for all its citizens, recovery of the endangered Missouri bladderpod to a threatened plant, and promoting stakeholder collaboration on the Missouri River.

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Columbia, Missouri

Ecological Services Field Office

Our History

For over 60 years Ecological Services has protected and restored fish, wildlife, plants and their habitats. Our roots trace back to the River Basins Program that reviewed Federal water development projects. Since 1945, Ecological Services' responsibilities have expanded to include reviews of most Federal construction projects, endangered species, environmental contaminants, and a variety of conservation partnerships and grants.

Project Planning

Through early and wise planning we work to conserve fish and wildlife and their habitats by minimizing the impact of Federal construction projects. Besides traditional Corps of Engineers' projects and permits, we work on energy development projects (hydro and wind power), highway projects, and proposed activities in National Forests.

Environmental Contaminants

The Environmental Contaminants program is the only program in the Federal Government solely responsible for evaluating the impact of environmental contaminants on fish and wildlife. We work to prevent, reduce, and eliminate the adverse effects of environmental contaminants.

Threatened and Endangered Species

Our responsibilities under the Endangered Species Act include conserving declining species before listing is necessary, adding species to



the list of threatened and endangered species; working to recover listed species, and working with other Federal agencies to ensure that their projects do not irreparably harm listed species.

Grants

We administer Endangered Species Act grants to provide funding to States, Tribes, organizations, and individuals for listed species conservation activities.

Partnerships

We work to restore habitat on private lands through the Partners for Fish and Wildlife Program. We work with others to restore Great Lakes coastal habitats through our Coastal Program.

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Neosho

National Fish Hatchery

Quick Facts

Hatchery Facts

- Established: 1888
- FY 2004 Budget: \$434,000
- Staff: six permanent
- Oldest operating federal fish hatchery

Geographic Area Covered

- Missouri-Ozark Ecosystem
- Kansas-Platte Rivers
- Lower Missouri River

Hatchery Mission

- Raise endangered pallid sturgeon for recovery effort in Lower Missouri River
- Raise rainbow trout for Lake Taneycomo
- Protect the endangered blind Ozark cavefish
- Raise freshwater drum to serve as "host fish" for rearing the Neosho mucket mussels
- Provide environmental education

Fish Species and Capability

- 225,000 (over 85,000 lbs.) 9.5 - 10-inch rainbow trout
- 3,000 9-inch endangered pallid sturgeon
- Maintain blind Ozark cavefish stock
- Experimental juvenile mussel rearing

Public Use Opportunities

- Over 45,000 visitors annually
- Blind Ozark cavefish display and portable display for off-site presentations
- Hatchery tours
- Off-site presentations
- Walking/exercise perimeter road inside hatchery
- Display room
- Aquariums



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Columbia *Fishery Resources Office*

Quick Facts

Office Facts

- Established: 1991
- FY 2004 Budget: \$305,000
- Staff: three permanent; four temporary; and two student interns

Geographic Area Served

- Missouri
- Iowa
- Illinois - lands bordering the Mark Twain NWR on the Mississippi River
- Kansas and Nebraska - lands bordering the lower Missouri River

Office Goals

- Manage fishery trust resources and habitat on Service and other federal lands within the geographic area served
- Provide assistance to conserve interjurisdictional river fish and their habitats on the Missouri and Mississippi Rivers
- Provide recreational fishing opportunities on Service and other federal lands

Services Provided To

- Nine National Wildlife Refuges within the project area of responsibility
- Missouri River Natural Resources Committee
- Upper Mississippi River Conservation Committee
- Department of Defense and other federal and state agencies
- Other Fish and Wildlife Service offices

Activity Highlights

- Manage and coordinate multi-state pallid sturgeon investigations on the lower Missouri and middle Mississippi rivers
- Participates in activities to restore interjurisdictional fish and their habitats
- Participates in the 23-state paddlefish tagging and stock assessment project
- Restore fish habitat and remove fish passage barriers



- Cooperates with the Missouri Department of Conservation and the Mississippi Interstate Cooperative Resource Association (MICRA) in projects to evaluate status and stocks of Missouri River candidate and other fish species of concern

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Quick Facts

Office Facts

- Established: 1991
- Staff: one Special Agent
- The Independence Field Office is administered by the Springfield, Ill., Resident Agent in Charge Office

Law Enforcement Objectives

- Protect and conserve native and foreign wildlife through the enforcement of federal laws
- Promote and encourage voluntary compliance with federal wildlife laws through public education and the creation of a deterrent effect

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Independence

Law Enforcement Field Office

Law Enforcement Priorities

- Investigate violations that have a significant impact on wild populations of federally protected species, such as those violations involving commercial exploitation and/or habitat destruction and modification
- Investigate violations that involve wild populations of species protected by state or foreign laws, with emphasis on interstate and foreign commercial exploitation
- Provide support and assistance to enforcement activities on Service lands, such as National Wildlife Refuges, and to other federal agencies on lands they manage
- Promote awareness of, and support for, federal wildlife laws and the role of law enforcement in protecting our wildlife resources and heritage

Laws Enforced

- Migratory Bird Treaty Act
- Duck Stamp Act
- Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act
- National Wildlife Refuge Act
- Lacey Act
- Airborne Hunting Act
- Endangered Species Act
- Marine Mammal Protection Act
- Archaeological Resource Protection Act
- African Elephant Conservation Act
- Wild Bird Conservation Act



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St. Peters *Law Enforcement Field Office*

Quick Facts

Office Facts

- Established: 1991
- Staff: two Special Agents
- The St. Peters Field Office is administered by the Springfield, Ill., Resident Agent in Charge Office

Law Enforcement Objectives

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- Wild Bird Conservation Act



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North American Waterfowl Management Plan

Quick Facts

Habitat

Accomplishments

- More than 95,000 acres of habitat protected, restored and enhanced
- Seeded retired cropland to native grasses
- Protected floodplain and stream habitat
- Restored bottomland hardwood forests

Financial Assistance

- Matching dollars from partners totaling more than \$72 million
- North American Wetland Conservation Act grants; 15 grants totaling over \$11.6 million

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About the Plan

- An international agreement signed in 1986
- Goal is to return waterfowl populations to levels of the mid 1970s
- Achieve goal by restoring and protecting wetland and grassland habitat
- Includes 13 habitat joint ventures and three species joint ventures in the U.S., Canada and Mexico

Partner Involvement

- Private landowners
- Nonprofit organizations
- Corporations
- Local, state and federal agencies
- Tribal governments

Missouri Projects

Wetland, grassland and bottomland restorations within:

- Missouri Bootheel Partners
- Nodaway Valley Conservation Area Wetlands Restoration
- Lewis and Clark Floodplain Heritage Partnership
- Four Rivers Wetland, phase III
- B.K. Leach Memorial Conservation Area addition
- Perry Conservation Area



- Federal, state and county lands
- Private lands statewide through voluntary participation

Public Benefits

- Increased recreational opportunities
- Enhanced wildlife diversity
- Improved community relations
- Enhanced floodwater storage
- Improved water quality
- Broad coalition of partnerships supporting voluntary wetland preservation

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Quick Facts

MO Anglers and Hunters Spent

- 12 million days angling
- Over 757 million dollars in total fishing expenditures
- 6.7 million days hunting
- Over 490 million dollars in total hunting expenditures

MO Licensed Anglers and Hunters

- 982,000 licensed anglers
- 413,000 licensed hunters

United States

- Over 82 million U.S. residents 16 years old and older fished, hunted, or wildlife watched in 2001.
- Sportspeople spent a total of \$70 billion in 2001—\$36 billion on fishing, \$21 billion on hunting, and \$14 billion on items used for both hunting and fishing (the sum of expenditures totals \$71 billion due to rounding).

<http://fa.r9.fws.gov/surveys/surveys.html>

Where Can I Find More Information

Detailed grant information is available at our public website—faims.fws.gov.

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Missouri *Federal Assistance*

How the Dollars are Administered

- The goal of the Federal Assistance Program is to work with States to conserve, protect, and enhance fish, wildlife, their habitats and the hunting, sportfishing, and recreational boating opportunities they provide.
- In fiscal year 2004 total grant funds in the Midwest Region exceeded \$151 million. Missouri received \$17 million. These monies were distributed through programs such as: Sportfish and Wildlife Restoration, Coastal Wetlands Program, Landowner Incentive Program, Section 6 of the Endangered Species Act, Boating Infrastructure Grant Program, State Wildlife Grants and the Clean Vessel Act Program.

Where the Money Comes From

Funding for most Federal Assistance programs comes from federal excise taxes paid by hunters, anglers, and boaters on hunting and fishing equip-

ment, a portion of the federal fuel tax, and import duties on fishing tackle and pleasure boats.

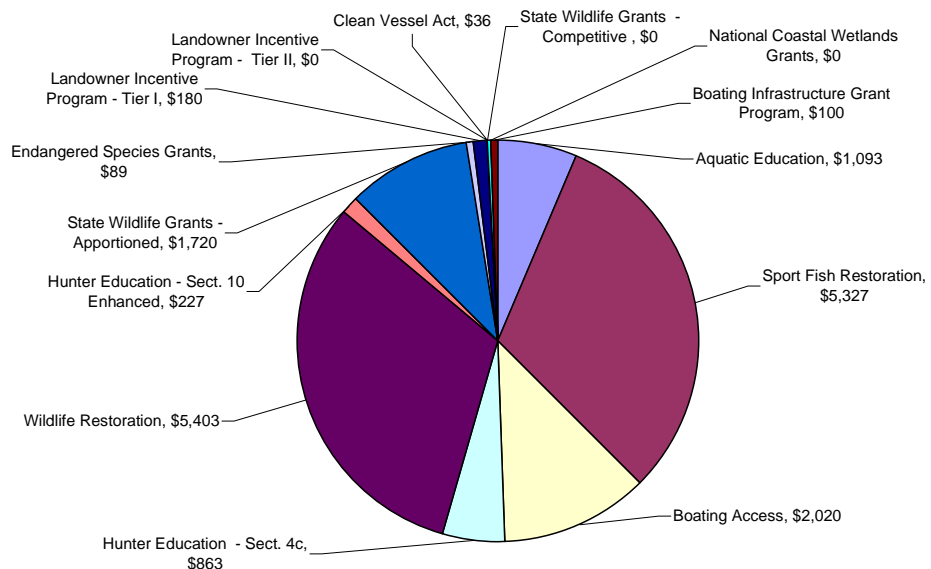
What the Money Can be Used For

Fish and wildlife research, habitat enhancement, assistance to private landowners, environmental review of public projects, land acquisition, operation and maintenance of lands and facilities, boating and angler access improvements, comprehensive planning for fish and wildlife resources, and hunter and aquatic education.

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**Fiscal Year 2004 Funds Granted to the State Through Federal Assistance Programs
(in thousands)**





Quick Facts

- 1.3 million bird watching participants
- 102 million bird watching days
- More than 33,000 duck hunters
- More than 39,000 Federal Duck Stamps sold (2002-2003)

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Migratory Bird Conservation

Inventory and Monitoring

- Mourning Dove Call Count Survey
- Mid-Winter Waterfowl Survey
- Resident Canada goose breeding population survey
- Waterfowl banding program
- Nongame bird inventories on National Wildlife Refuge System lands

Research

- Study of songbird use of flood-plain habitats of the Lower Missouri River watershed
- Study of waterfowl spring use of moist soil units
- Study of grassland bird at the Dunn Ranch Bird Conservation Area
- Wood duck band retention study

Management

- Wetland protection, restoration and enhancement
- Grassland protection, restoration and enhancement
- Bottomland hardwood restoration
- Develop hunting regulations
- Issuance migratory bird permits

Outreach

- International Migratory Bird Day
- Junior Duck Stamp Contest
- St. Louis Urban Treaty for Migratory Bird Conservation



Partnerships

- Missouri Department of Conservation
- U.S. Geological Survey
- University of Missouri
- Ducks Unlimited
- Columbia Environmental Research Center (U.S.G.S)
- Partners in Flight
- North American Waterfowl Management Plan
- U.S. Shorebird Conservation Plan
- North American Waterbird Conservation Plan

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Division of Realty

Realty Management

- Once properties are acquired, the Realty Management staff is responsible for managing real estate records for over one million acres of Service owned lands throughout Region 3.

The Realty Management staff also:

- Works to assure that counties receive revenue sharing payments
- Processes non-funded land acquisition such as exchanges, donations, transfers and withdrawals
- Processes right-of-way permits across Service owned land
- Provides surveying capabilities for land acquisition and boundary retracement
- Produces cartographic products for Service use

Land Acquisition

- The Realty Division's staff of appraisers and realty specialists works with landowners who have indicated an interest in selling their property, or property interests, to the Service. The appraisers determine fair market value and the realty specialists make the fee-title or easement purchases from these willing landowners. Lands are acquired by using funds from:
 - The Migratory Bird Conservation Fund (received from the sale of Federal Duck Stamps)
 - The Congressionally appropriated Land and Water Conservation Fund
 - Natural Resource Damage Assessments



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